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For : TRANSGENIC MICE OVER-EXPRESSING ABAD AND MUTANT APP
IN BRAIN AS MODEL OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND USES
THEREOF

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SIR:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND
PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to a September 24, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 24, 2002 Office Action was originally due December 24, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FOUR-HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$465.00) and a check in this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the September 24, 2002 Office Action is now due March 24, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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